Message Transport Methods:

There are two basic methods of transporting messages from a facility to the State. The first is an interface built for the facility by the EHR vendor or a third party that transports data directly to the State for processing. The second it for the facility's EHR to send messages to MS-HIN (the States Health Information Network) using the Direct protocol. The table below will provide *guidelines* as to which method a facility should use.

Facility Criteria	Transport Method
Low volume (< 500 immunizations per year)	
and non-VFC participant.	
Low volume (< 500 immunizations per year)	
and a VFC participant.	
Medium volume (between 500 and 1500	
immunizations per year) and non-VFC	
participant. The interface would be a financial	
burden.	
Medium volume (between 500 and 1500	
immunizations per year) and non-VFC	
participant. The interface would NOT be a	
financial burden.	
Medium volume (between 500 and 1500	
immunizations per year) and a VFC	
participant. The interface would be a financial	
burden.	
Medium volume (between 500 and 1500	
immunizations per year) and a VFC	
participant. The interface would NOT be a	
financial burden.	
High volume (> 1500 immunizations per year)	
and non-VFC participant. The interface would	
be a financial burden.	
High volume (> 1500 immunizations per year)	
and non-VFC participant. The interface would	
NOT be a financial burden.	
High volume (> 1500 immunizations per year)	
and a VFC participant. The interface would be	
a financial burden.	
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and a VFC participant. The interface would	
NOT be a financial burden.	